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organization is defined as any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization that:

- (1) Is operated primarily for scientific, education, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest.
- (2) Is not organized primarily for profit.
- (3) Uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations.
- (b) Entities must be legally established and located within a state as defined in §1775.2.
- (c) Organizations must be incorporated by December 31 of the year the application period occurs to be eligible for funds.
- (d) Private businesses, Federal agencies, public bodies, and individuals are ineligible for these grants.
- (e) Applicants must also have the proven ability, background, experience (as evidenced by the organization's satisfactory completion of project(s) similar to those proposed), legal authority, and actual capacity to provide technical assistance and/or training on a regional basis to associations as provided in §1775.33. To meet the requirement of actual capacity, an applicant must either:
- (1) Have the necessary resources to provide technical assistance and/or training to associations in rural areas through its staff, or
- (2) Be assisted by an affiliate or member organization which has such background and experience and which agrees, in writing, that it will provide the assistance, or
- (3) Contract with a nonaffiliated organization for not more than 49 percent of the grant to provide the proposed assistance.

§1775.36 Purpose.

Grants may be made to organizations as defined in §1775.35 to enable such organizations to assist associations to:

- (a) Identify and evaluate solutions to water problems of associations in rural areas relating to source, storage, treatment, and/or distribution.
- (b) Identify and evaluate solutions to waste problems of associations in rural areas relating to collection, treatment, and/or disposal.

- (c) Prepare water and/or waste disposal loan/grant applications.
- (d) Provide technical assistance/ training to association personnel that will improve the management, operation, and maintenance of water and waste facilities.
- (e) Pay the expenses associated with providing the technical assistance and/or training authorized in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section.

§ 1775.37 Allocation of funds.

At least 10 percent of available funds will be used for funding single State projects based on the priority criteria.

§§ 1775.38-1775.60 [Reserved]

Subpart D—Solid Waste Management Grants

§1775.61 Authorization.

This subpart sets forth the policies and procedures for making Solid Waste Management (SWM) grants authorized under section 310B of the CONACT.

§1775.62 [Reserved]

§ 1775.63 Objectives.

The objectives of the program are to:
(a) Reduce or eliminate pollution of

- (a) Reduce or eliminate pollution of water resources, and
- (b) Improve planning and management of solid waste sites.

§1775.64 [Reserved]

§ 1775.65 Eligibility.

- (a) Entities eligible for grants must be either:
- (1) Private nonprofit organizations with tax exempt status designated by the Internal Revenue Service. A nonprofit organization is defined as any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization that:
- (i) Is operated primarily for scientific, education, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest.
- (ii) Is not organized primarily for profit.
- (iii) Uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve, and/or expand its operations
- (2) Public bodies.

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- (3) Federally acknowledged or Staterecognized Native American tribe or group.
 - (4) Academic institutions.
- (b) Entities must be legally established and located within a state as defined in §1775.2.
- (c) Organizations must be incorporated by December 31 of the year the application period occurs to be eligible for funds
- (d) Private businesses, Federal agencies, and individuals are ineligible for these grants.
- (e) Applicants must also have the proven ability; background; experience, as evidenced by the organization's satisfactory completion of project(s) similar to those proposed; legal authority; and actual capacity to provide technical assistance and/or training on a regional basis to associations as provided in §1775.63. To meet the requirement of actual capacity, an applicant must either:
- (1) Have the necessary resources to provide technical assistance and/or training to associations in rural areas through its staff, or
- (2) Be assisted by an affiliate or member organization which has such background and experience and which agrees, in writing, that it will provide the assistance, or
- (3) Contract with a nonaffiliated organization for not more than 49 percent of the grant to provide the proposed assistance.

§ 1775.66 Purpose.

Grants may be made to organizations as defined in §1775.65 to enable such organizations to assist associations to:

- (a) Provide technical assistance and/or training to reduce the solid waste stream through reduction, recycling, and reuse.
- (b) Provide training to enhance operator skills in maintaining and operating active landfills.
- (c) Provide technical assistance and/ or training for operators of landfills which are closed or will be closed in the near future with the development/ implementation of closure plans, future land use plans, safety and maintenance planning, and closure scheduling within permit requirements.

- (d) Evaluate current landfill conditions to determine the threats to water resources.
- (e) Pay the expenses associated with providing the technical assistance and/or training authorized in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section.

§1775.67 Allocation of funds.

The maximum amount for a single applicant for a Solid Waste Management project will be 25 percent of available grant funds.

§1775.68 Exception authority.

The Administrator may, in individual cases, make an exception to any requirement or provision of this part which is not inconsistent with the authorizing statute or other applicable law and is determined to be in the Government's interest.

§§ 1775.69-1775.99 [Reserved]

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